



11-23-04

1634  
*[Signature]*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. 08/887,505 Art Unit: 1634  
Applicant: Kilkuskie *et al.* Examiner: Diana B. Johannsen  
Date Filed: July 2, 1997 Conf. No.: 1117  
Docket No.: HYZ-040CIP Cust. No.: 23483  
Title: Oligonucleotides Specific for Hepatitis C Virus

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

EV225199282US  
Express Mail No.

11/22/04  
Date of Deposit

*Jason Gregoire*  
Jason Gregoire

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated *October 29, 2004* (hereinafter "Office Action"), in which the Examiner alleged that the reply filed August 25, 2004 was not fully responsive to the Office Action of July 1, 2004.

The reasons for non-responsiveness given were that:

- (1) Applicants purportedly failed to identify all claims readable on the elected species; and
- (2) Applicants allegedly elected multiple non-contiguous sequences.